

## PATENT APPLICATION IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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ULTRASONIC FLOWMETER CAPABLE OF

APPLYING BOTH PULSE DOPPLER METHOD AND TRANSIT TIME METHOD,

METHOD AND PROGRAM FOR AUTOMATICALLY SELECTING MEASUREMENT METHOD IN

FLOWMETER, AND ELECTRONIC DEVICE

FOR FLOWMETER

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Examiner:

Not assigned

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This IDS is submitted under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b) within any of the following time periods, whichever occurs last:

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A European Search Report is also enclosed.

It is requested that the information disclosed on the enclosed Form PTOI 449 be made of record in this application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R.§§1.16-1.17, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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